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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Roland SCHULE et al. : Examiner: J. Murphy  
Serial No.: 09/428,647 : Group Art Unit: 1646  
Filed: October 28, 1999  
Title: **USE OF SLIM3 FOR BINDING TO MOLECULES**

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**REPLY TO ADVISORY ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2002, please amend the above-identified application and consider the remarks which follow.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 10-23 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

2. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said cell is a 293 cell or a yeast cell.
3. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said determining is measuring transcription of a gene activated by human AR or human ER $\beta$ .
4. (Amended) A The method of claim 1, wherein said human AR or human ER $\beta$  is a chimeric protein comprising a GAL4 binding domain and SLIM3 is a chimeric protein comprising a GAL4 activator domain.
5. (Amended) A The method of claim 4, wherein said cell is a yeast cell comprising a  $\beta$ -galactosidase reporter gene.

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